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[] Talked with Bob Smart who indicated that all members of the CIA Subcommittee of House Armed Services and particularly the Chairman were most impressed by yesterday's briefing. In fact, Smart said it did have a strong impact on the Chairman. Regarding the question of authorization for the building, I reminded Mr. Smart of the facts in the case and the May 1956 letter. He requested we send him a brief memorandum on this subject which will be done. In addition, I alerted Mr. Smart to the fact that for several weeks the Director had been scheduled to appear before House Foreign Affairs on 27 February for a world situation briefing. I advised Mr. Smart that we were going ahead with this briefing with an agreement with the Chairman that information on Powers would not be discussed.

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[] Talked with Boyd Crawford, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, indicating the Agency had certain obligations to its own subcommittees and, consequently, we were going to have to request that the Powers matter not be discussed at the hearing on the 27th. Crawford understood the situation and repeated his request on behalf of the Chairman that Powers be made available to the Committee when possible.

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[] Talked with Bill Gorden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and also alerted him to the House Foreign Affairs briefing and the fact that the Powers matter was not going to be discussed.

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4. ([] Phillip Carlson on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee called asking if we knew of [] [] I gave him a brief run-down on a confidential basis indicating we never had received anything of value [] This appeared to confirm their estimate of the situation.

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